



Vision: A Nationally Recognized Program to Develop Strong Effective Civilian Senior Leaders for the DoD Acquisition Community.



Management comments on returning Fellow:

"I have seen a change in my fellow. They treat people differently; they are more patient, professional... I see growth."



Comment from SSCF Graduate:
"The program is a gift.. I have grown personally and professionally."



Comment from SSCF Alumni: "I am a better leader, employee, and family member since taking SSCF"



Comment from SSCF Alumni: "You will partake in a career's worth of experiences."



Comment from SSCF Alumni: "Several years on from graduating, I have landed in a position to exploit my unique abilities and my leadership effectiveness is being validated by superiors and peers."

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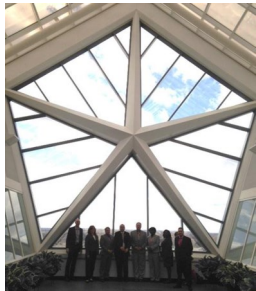


The **Senior Service College Fellowship (SSCF)** provides leadership and acquisition education and training for GS-14/15s (and equivalents) to better prepare them for senior leadership roles such as Program Managers and Program Executive Officers. This broad-based program provides for the further development and expansion of one's horizons by developing intellectual skills and inculcating the spirit of inquiry necessary for a lifelong pursuit of learning. The Fellowship provides the students the opportunities to acquire knowledge, subject their views to the rigors of dispute, to investigate and learn how to ask the right questions and find the right answers, and to impose structure on their written thoughts. The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics (AT&L) recognized the value of the Fellowship and declared it the equivalent to other senior service colleges which prepare the exceptional performers for senior level leadership responsibilities.



Frequently Asked Questions

What is the DAU Mid-West SSCF?



The Senior Service College Fellowship is designed to train future civilian acquisition leaders. It is a competitive, intensive 10-month program of education that includes several executive-level DAU courses (PMT 401, ACQ 450, ACQ 452, and ACQ 453). The Fellows also attend Lawrence Technological University, where they take two core courses and complete a Research Project, and have the opportunity to take three additional LTU courses. The students will participate with the Army War College students for various events, to include the National Security Module. The program includes distinguished guest speakers, visits to military installations, major industrial and technology-oriented businesses, and military Staff Rides.

Is the SSCF a full-time program? Yes. The students accepted as Fellows into the program will be enrolled in the program on a full-time basis for 10 months. They will be on a special assignment and will not be participating in day-to-day activities in their normal positions.

Where do the students come from that will be in the program? Applications are accepted from Acquisition Corps members who are GS14/15s or equivalent pay grades from TACOM LCMC partners, depots and arsenals, and others in the Midwest Region acquisition community.

Will I go back to my original job after I've completed the SSCF program? The intent of the program is to develop future civilian acquisition leaders and the logical step after completing the program is to be placed in a new role with greater responsibility. Rotational assignments normally follow graduation and then the graduate will be very competitive for future senior leadership assignments. The new position may be outside of your current organization or in a new area within your organization.

Is there much traveling involved?



We host classes, seminars and tours at each SSCF location and will utilize TelePresence and VTC whenever possible. There are approximately ten trips. There are off-site trips and excursions, for example, students go to Gettysburg, Capitol Hill, and Hawaii or Europe, as well as military facilities and contractor facilities.



Who is the University Partner?

Lawrence Technological University

(LTU), 21000 West 10 Mile Road, Southfield, Michigan.

www.ltu.edu

I already have a Master's Degree. Must I attend the university courses that are part of the SSCF program? Yes. You will have to attend the courses because they are part of the program. All elements of the program are mandatory for graduation.



I have some graduate credits from another university. May I apply those credit hours to the SSCF Masters Degree? LTU will make that determination. In general, universities will grant between 6 and 12 graduate credit hours for graduate work completed at other universities. As part of the SSCF program, Lawrence Technological University will grant 9 graduate credit hours for the PMT 401 course.



Application Process

Who can apply? Civilian GS-14/15s who are Acquisition Corps members and are Level III certified in their primary career field.

How are Fellows selected from the list of applicants?

The evaluation process conducted by a Senior Acquisition Board chaired by Acquisition Support Center.